



Newbold Church of England Primary School

At Newbold we aim to support each other to live, learn and excel together as a Christian community.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up," 1 Thessalonians 5:11

We aim for excellence - building self-confidence and independence so that children are happy and well-motivated; keen to question; inspire and embrace change. Through the Christian ethos of the school, we value difference, diversity, and grow together as a community of lifelong learners.

Living out our vision as a Church of England School
Summer 2025

Collective Worship

Our collective worship this term has been based on the values of friendship and respect. In Summer 1 we heard the bible stories about Joseph and also different friends of Jesus. We also discussed caring for the environment and also Ascension, Pentecost and the Trinity.

In Summer 2 we heard the bible stories about Daniel and learnt about Eric Liddell. We also talked about the fruits of the spirit and the Christian prayer 'The Grace'. We also explored the British value of treating people equally and with respect as well as accepting differences. We once again welcomed the Open the Book team in each month to act out a number of different Bible stories for us.

On Friday's lots of awards were given in our achievement assembly and we continued to welcome the wider school community in to join us.



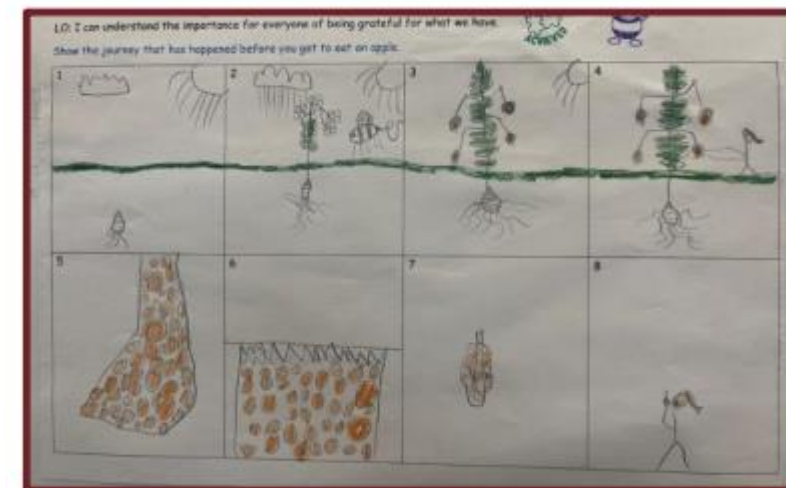
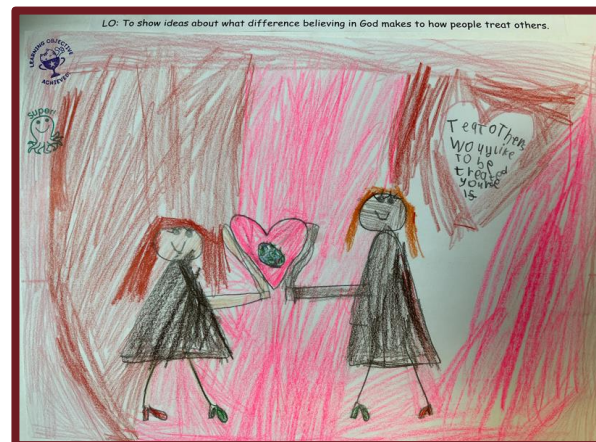
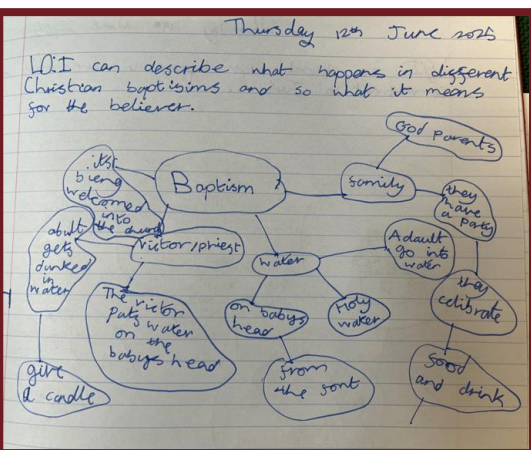
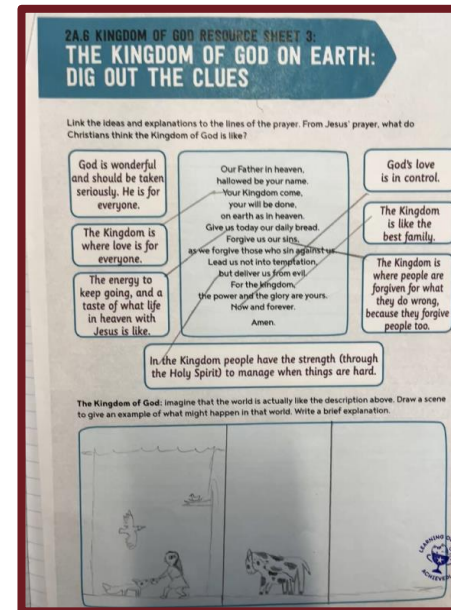
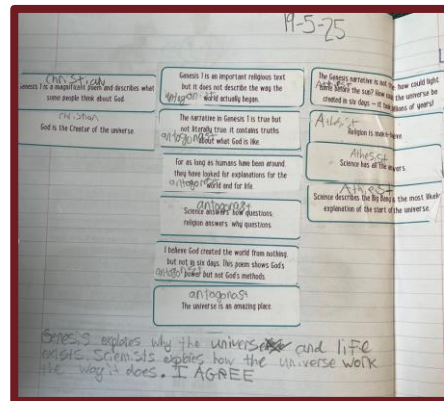
We continue to share the children's achievements from activities outside school.

Three children were chosen to have lunch with Ms. Hitchman as Happy Lunchtime champions on the last day before our half term break and another three just before Christmas.

RE



| Robins | Owls | Eagles |
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| <p>1.2 Who do Christians say made the world? (Creation)</p> <p>1.9 How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter?</p> <p>Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Non Religious</p> | <p>L2.6 For Christians, what was the impact of Pentecost? [Kingdom of God]</p> <p>L2.11 How and why do people mark the significant events of life?</p> <p>Christianity, Judaism, Non Religious, Hindu,</p> | <p>U2.2 Creation and Science: conflicting or complementary? [Creation]</p> <p>Christianity, Non Religious</p> <p>U2.12 How does faith help when life gets hard?</p> <p>Christianity, Non Religious, Hindu</p> |



VE Day Picnic and Maypole Competition



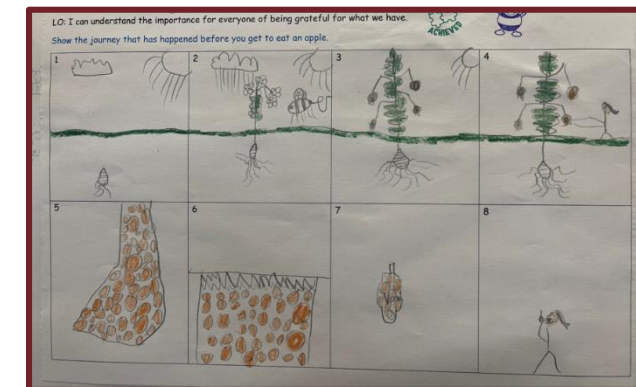
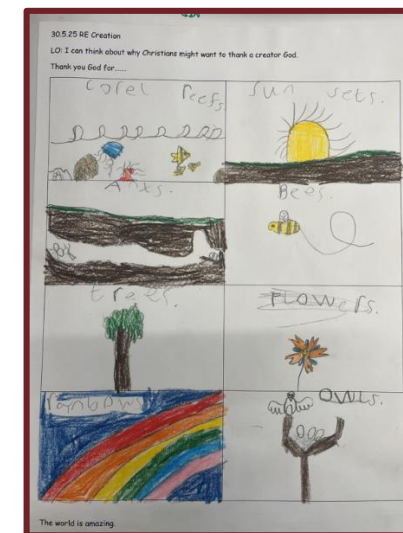
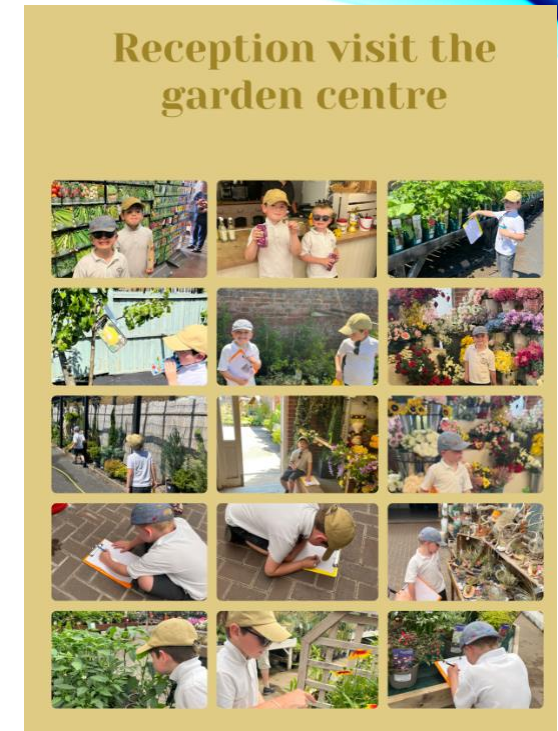
On 2nd May Y2 and Owls presented their two maypole dances as part of a inter school competition. They really danced well and everyone who came to dance or watch enjoyed the morning. It was a pleasure to work with such an enthusiastic group of dancers.

On 18th May the wider school community joined us to celebrate VE Day with a picnic together. It was lovely to enjoy relaxing together as families over lunch.

Robins -Summer 1

During the first half of the term the year one and two in Robins explored our local environment, finding out about Newbold and the different physical and human features in it. We enjoyed investigating Lount Nature Reserve to find the different remains of the mine using our maps to work out where the different buildings were. We looked at the different houses in the village and how they were built to house the different workers in the mine. We also investigated plants in our local environment and discussed why they are so important and how they change with the seasons. It was very interesting to peel open a bud and find all the layers that are hidden inside.

During RE we found out about the Christian story of creation, asked questions about the world and thought about being grateful for the world around us.



Robins -Summer 2

Since half term reception have been finding out about the beach, reading stories like Grandad's Island, The Storm Whale and Commotion in the Oceans as well as books which told us facts about whales and the beach. We found out about Barnaby Bear and the hot and cold countries he visited and then dressed our school bears in the correct clothes for a hot and cold country. They enjoyed visiting the garden centre and were really curious about all the plants, looking closely at them and asking lots of questions. It was very exciting going on a teddy bear's picnic at Griffydam and joining in with lots of different activities.

Year one and two have been excited to find out about Brazil. As well as learning some phrases in Portuguese we have found out about Rio de Janeiro and Brasilia and are really good at finding South America and Brazil on the map and globe. We have been comparing our capital city, London, to Brasilia and finding out about different places in Brazil such as the Amazon River and rainforest, including the animals that live there. Mr Greening visited to tell us about living in Brazil, teach us a little more Portuguese and he made us some delicious Brazilian sweets. We found out about the Rio Carnival and made shakers and head dresses so that we could have a go at our own Samba dancing.



Robins -Summer 2

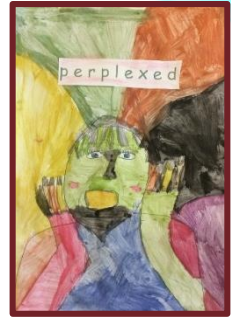
We have been working on using 3D aspects in our artwork and have produced pictures of city landscapes in the style of James Rizzi.

In RE we found out about Christian, Jewish and non-religious views on the importance of caring for our world and other people, treating others how you would like to be treated.

The whole class are doing really well with their number skills using the mastering number programme and we will continue with this next year. In PE we have enjoyed improving our skills and worked hard on Sports Day to do well for our teams. All the children are looking forward to moving up to their next year group and welcoming our new starters next term.



KS2 –Summer



Art

In Art this term we have been learning about Expressionism. We started by studying 'The Scream' by Edvard Munch, then; we explored how to create expressionist style pictures of our own, firstly by experimenting with non- naturalistic watercolours and then by applying oil pastels to photographs of ourselves pulling different facial expressions. Finally, we put all of these skills together and drew and painted an expressionist style portrait. We also added overlay text to enhance the meaning of the pictures we created. We have also explored multimedia collage. This has involved us making our own recycled paper and making collages with paper, fabric and other materials.

History

In history this term, KS2 have ventured into the world of Ancient Greece. We have delved into the different civilisations, explored the cultures and landscapes as well as the various contributions famous Greeks have made to our lives now. We investigated the hierarchy of society with the help of role play and criticised various historical sources of information.

English

We compounded our knowledge of Ancient Greece by writing our own version of the Greek Myth "Theseus and the Minotaur" and developed our knowledge of non-chronological reports by writing an ultimate guide to our own mythical creatures.

KS2 –Summer



PSHE

The Eagles have been learning about healthy lifestyles in PSHE. They have looked at the Eatwell plate and the importance of eating a healthy and balanced diet. They have also been learning about nutrients in foods that they eat by looking closely at information on food packaging. They have also been focusing on personal safety. This involved learning about how to keep safe around railways, how to cycle safely and how to manage risk in a range of other everyday activities.

Music

In music, Eagles have been learning about sound effects in old movies. They have learnt how to add simple sound effects to short movie clips focussing closely on the timing of hit points (precise points where actions begin) and by 'Mickey-Mousing' (matching actions closely e.g. using a woodblock to match footsteps)

Reading Challenge

The reading challenge, organised by Mrs McLeod, is a great way to encourage children to read. The children can win prizes as they read at home. Lots of children have won prizes this term.



| Points | Prize |
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| 15 | Bookmark and pen |
| 25 | Mini puzzle |
| 40 | Funky pencil |
| 75 | Ring the school bell in the morning |
| 100 | 10 minutes extra playtime |
| 150 | Non-uniform day on one Friday |
| 175 | Hot chocolate and a story with Ms Hitchman |



Sports Day

On 16th June we had our school sports day. During the first half, our year 6 children worked hard to organise challenges for the teams to complete with help from Mr Archer and Mr Donnelly.

Afterwards the parents joined us on the park for the lots of different races.

We all had medals and a well deserved ice lolly.

Well done to all of the teams who took part in Sports Day. The blue team were this year's winning team. Congratulations.



Volunteering

A big thank you to our wonderful parents and wider school community who have supported FONS fund-raising events this academic year. Over £450 has been raised through two Film on the Farms, the school Christmas Fayre and Christmas on the Green in Coleorton.

At the same time FONS have donated £850. This money has covered transport costs so all the children could enjoy a pantomime at Christmas and a trip to Drayton Manor at the end of term, as well as providing an Easter egg hunt at school.

Mrs Mack has continued to come in to help Robins with their art & design.

We are also very grateful to Mrs Farmer for running Little Ducklings each Friday morning. Our pre-school children and their carers have fun playing and meeting others in our school mobile.

Thank you to Mr Harker for working on our grounds and to Mrs Kendrick for bringing the lambs to school.



Gardening Afternoon and Community Lunch

On 2nd May everyone was invited to come and join us in tidying up our school grounds. Thank you to everyone who came.



On 10th June Julie cooked a lovely community lunch which was served by our Year 6 volunteers.



Water Safety Session

On Thursday, 19th June the Swans visited Whitwick Leisure Centre to attend some Water Safety workshops.

First, they took part in a First Aid session. The children found out how to bandage arms and legs to stop bleeding. They also attempted to make a sling with a triangular bandage (some more successfully than others!)

The second session was all about Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation. The children worked on resuscitation dummies and learnt how to approach different aged casualties (babies, children and adults) confidently. The children listened really carefully. They also practiced putting one another in the recovery position.

Next the children watched a presentation about water safety around different bodies of water. There was a particular focus on safety whilst swimming at the beach. The children were taught about the different flags that lifeguards use and their meanings. They also learnt what they should do if they get caught in a rip-tide. If you are going to the seaside over the summer holidays, please ask the children to look at the flags and tell you what they mean.

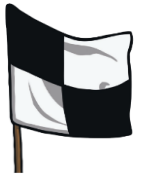


Bathing Flag



The area is watched by lifeguards. Between two of these flags is a safe place to swim and use a body board.

Surfing Flag



The area is safe for water activities like surfing and kayaking, but not safe for swimming or body boarding.

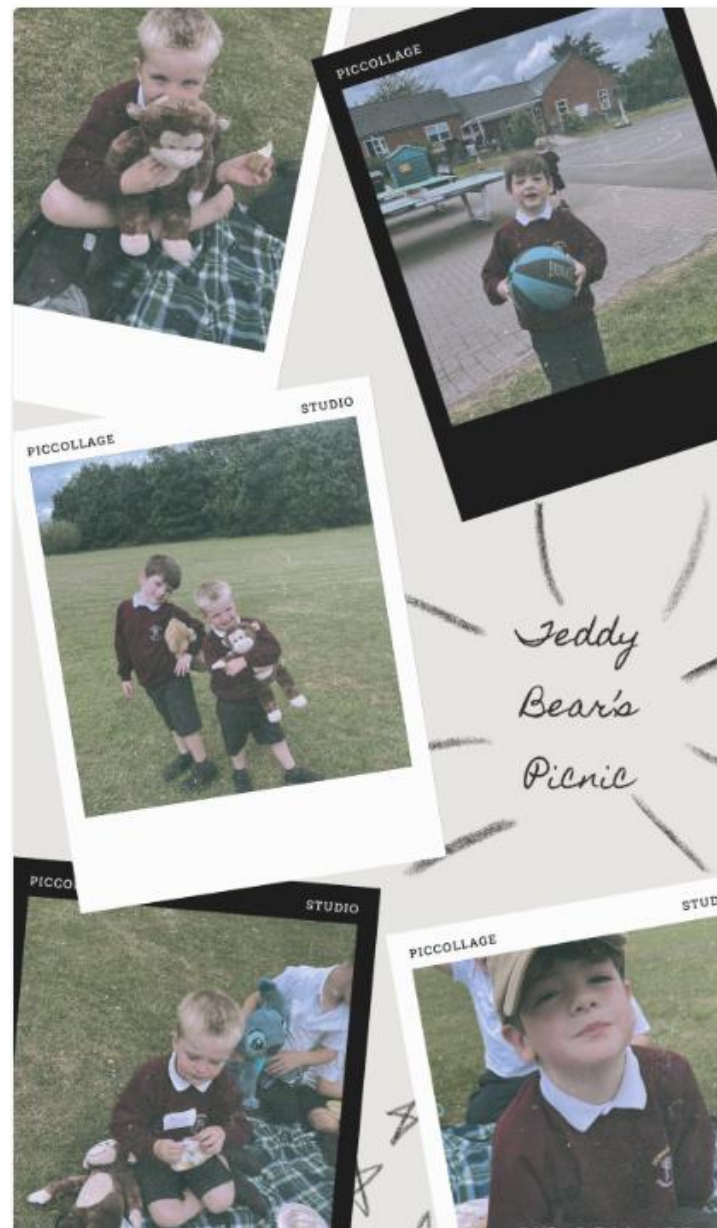
Danger Flag



Danger! **NEVER** enter the water when you see this flag.

Teddy Bear's Picnic

On 25th June the reception children joined the pupils at Griffydam to enjoy a teddy bear's picnic. They made sandwiches and enjoyed stories and games with the other children before eating their picnic.



Year 6 Leavers

As the Year 6 came to the end of their time of Newbold they celebrated in a number ways. They enjoyed an evening playing crazy golf and eating pizza with some of the staff. They joined other leavers from Leicester Diocese schools across Leicestershire in an online leavers service. They talked about their own memories of their time at Newbold in the last achievement assembly of the term and received their scrapbooks which contained work since they started in reception and some gifts to remember us by. As has become the tradition they all had leavers hoodies and asked everyone to sign their t-shirts.

We hope that they will all settle quickly into their new schools and best wishes for the future.





End of Term Achievement Assembly

On the last day of term the whole school and wider school community enjoyed listening to our musicians some of them playing live and some videoed before hand.

We also awarded Star of the term prizes for a child in each key stage and the John Burnett cup for a child who had made good progress.

Some children were given prizes for meeting goals in the reading challenge and one child for achieving 100% attendance.

